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1. AT JULY 11 MEETING OF CHIEF CONTROLLERS OF THE FOUR-
POER BERLIN AIR SAFETY CENTER (BASC), U.S. CHIEF CONTROLLER
(LT. COL. RICHERT) INFORMED THE THREE OTHER CHIEFS
OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT TO BERLIN 15 JULY. SOVIET
CHIEF SUKHANOV HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY HEARD OF VISIT. RICHERT
STATED THAT THE FOUR NATIONAL ELEMENTS OF THE BASC WERE
JOINTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR AIR SPACE. CONSEQUENTLY, ALL FOUR
POWERS WERE OBLIGED TO COOPERATE TO INSURE "THE SAFETY
OF FLIGHT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT UNDER ALL CIRCUM-
STANCES." THE THREE OTHER CHIEF CONTROLLERS AGREED,
SUKHANOV MOST EMPHATICALLY.

2. WE EXPECT SOVIETS WILL COOPERATE SHOULD A WEATHER
EMERGENCY OBLIGE AIR FORCE ONE TO FLY OUTSIDE THE
NORMAL CONFINES OF THE BERLIN CORRIDORS, THAT IS OUTSIDE
THE 20-MILE WIDTH, OR ABOVE 10,000 FEET. GEORGE

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